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FUNDS FOR ORGANIC FARMING
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Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the funds utilised for setting up of Research Centres of Organic Farming (RCOF) is much less than the funds released for the same;

(b) if so, the reasons therefor and whether the unutilised funds are surrendered to the Government; and

(C) if so, the action taken by the Government in this regard?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE, FOOD PROCESSING INDUSTRIES AND PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS(SHRI HARISH RAWAT)

(a): Details of funds sanctioned for setting up of buildings of Regional Centres of Organic Farming (RCOF) and funds utilized by Central Public Works Department (CPWD) during 2010-11 are given below:

RCOF	Amount sanctioned (Rs. Lakh)	Expenditure (Rs. Lakh)
Imphal	117.69	117.62
Nagpur	50.00	46.21
Bangalore	240.00	175.23

(b): Main reason of unutilized funds was slower pace of construction than expected. As funds are drawn against bills, unutilized funds remain with the Government.

(c): Does not arise.